

Coming Up

Sunday, March 17 at 10:00 am: Children's Sunday School
at 11:00 am: Worship Service, speaker Patrick Preheim with
Community Connection- Open Door Society
Tuesday, March 19 at 10:00 am: Women's Bible Study
Wednesday, March 20 at 7:00 pm: Men's Group
Thursday, March 21 at 7:00 pm: Kids Club and Choir Spring Showcase
Sunday, March 24 at 11:00 am: Worship Service, speaker Luke Bushman (Palm
Sunday)



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**Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory
March 17, 2024 at 11:00 am**

In Person and Live Stream Worship Service

Worship Leader: Shenyce Buhler
Accompanist: Teresa Koop- Hunter
Ushers: Wally and Marg Krause

LENT 5

Prelude
Welcome
Announcements and Land Acknowledgement
Gathering Hymn Come Let Us All Unite to Sing VT #7
Service of Shadows
Hymn of Response Between Darkness and Light VT #808
Lighting the Peace Lamp
Children's Story Open Door Society
Children's Song Jake and Barb Ens
Music from Open Door Society
Joys and Concerns
Congregational Prayer
Offertory
Hymn There's a Wild Hope in the Wind VT #828
Scripture John 12: 24-25
Psalm 119: 33-40
Sermon Seeds and Songs Patrick Preheim
Hymn of Response How Clear is Our Vocation VT #547
Spoken Benediction
Sending Hymn The God of Sarah Praise VT #190
Postlude

KIDS CORNER

Sunday School Schedule- 10:00- 10:45 am

March 17 - Preparing for Palm Sunday Skit and Song
March 24 - Palm Sunday
April 21 - Preparing to help lead worship
April 28 - Practicing and leading our sections of the service
May 19 - Preparing to help lead worship
May 26 - Practicing and leading our sections of the service
June 23 - Preparing to help lead worship
June 30 - Practicing and leading our sections of the service

Kids Club and Choir: Thursdays at 7:00 pm

Children's Song

Momma said to me, "We're going on a walk, Momma said to me
"We're going on a walk, Gonna walk in the light of God

Daddy said to me, "We're following the way, Daddy said to me,
"We're following the way, Following the way of Christ.

Chorus: And the way of Christ is to live with love in your heart for
everyone.
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*Nutana Park Mennonite Church welcomes into fellowship and membership all
persons who confess faith in Jesus Christ, without regard to their race, ethnic
background, gender, age, sexual orientation, income, education, ability, and
other factors that give rise to discrimination and marginalization.*

NPMC Announcements

BIG NEWS! We have decided to conduct the Weddings & Babes shower connections in a slightly different format in 2024. We would like to honour our couples shortly after their exciting news (engagement or birth of babe) rather than waiting until summer. We feel this is more timely and allows for more flexibility with regards to coordinating everyone's schedules. At the same time, we would like to include meals for our new parents as part of this process. With this in mind, we are looking for volunteers to prepare a meal for the two new babes (and their parents) that have recently been born and are connected to our congregation. We would like to offer meals to these couples in the next week or two. Please contact **Marlene @ 306 220 9409** or **306 668 4793** OR **Val @ 306 220 3668** OR **Denelda @ 306 221 2846** if you would like to participate in this way.

March 21: "We invite our church community to join us for our annual **"Kids Club and Choir Spring Showcase" on Thursday March 21st at 7pm at NPMC!** Please join us and come hear our KCC Choir perform (led by Rachel Regier and Breanne Fast) and join us after for a Spring Tea and celebration of another great year. It's a great opportunity to see the kids perform, hear their experiences and support the kids that make up this great club! All are welcome!"

March 22nd from 7-9:30pm the youth group is looking to do a progressive supper. This is where people can sign up to host one course of a meal, and the youth go around meeting people and enjoying food. If you are interested in hosting please email Luke Bushman: oslemcpastor2@gmail.com.

BIG NEWS! The Nutana Park Mennonite Church Annual General Meeting is scheduled to convene at 12:30 PM next Sunday March 24th. Please bring a brown bag lunch so that we can share a meal prior to the meeting. We look forward to meeting together to finalize our 2023 business year. If you have any questions please contact Bob Neufeldt or any member of the Board of Deacons.

March 29: Good Friday Tenebrae Service at 7:00 pm at NPMC.

March 31 at 9:30 am: Easter Brunch Potluck followed by Easter Sunday service. Please bring Easter baking, cheese and fruit. Volunteers are invited to help clean up afterwards.

Community Announcements

March 17, tonight, 7:00pm – Mega Menno Celebrating the Saints! Come in all your St. Patty's Day (or Roughrider) green gear for a night of Jell-O Games and fun facts about sainthood. Event takes place at Nutana Park MC, Saskatoon. Open to all youth gr. 6-12, bring a friend and prepare to get a little green, or maybe even covered in whipped cream! Contact youthminister@mcsask.ca for more information.

March 19 from 5-7 pm: The Youth Farm Bible Camp is having their annual Vereniki Fund Raiser. Admission is by donation and the menu includes Vereniki (two types), Farmer Sausage, Cream Gravy, Fruit Sauces, Coleslaw, and soft serve ice cream. More information at <https://www.yfbc.ca/march> and read an article about how Anabaptist Theology impacts Spiritual Formation at YFBC

March 23 & 24, folks from MC Sask Ministries Commission along with the Living Skies Region of the United Church are holding a **Gaza Peace Pilgrimage in Saskatoon** (part of the <https://www.gazaceasefirepilgrimage.com/>). Mark your calendars and watch for more information over the next week!

April 6, 6:00 pm Shekinah Retreat Centre and Carmen Corner Meats are "Puttin on the Ribz '24. For more info and to purchase tickets see shekinahretreatcentre.org or call (306) 945-4929.

MCC Connects: Attention gardeners! Do you start your plants from seed? If yes, then this message is for you - we are bringing the plant sale back to the MCC Relief Sale Festival and would love for you to help us out by donating bedding plants, vegetable plants, shrubs, house plants or any other plants you love. Plant a few extra seeds, donate them to MCC and make a difference. If you are interested in partnering with us in this way, please contact Phyllis Goertz at p.goertz@sasktel.net or call the office at 306-665-2555. Keep an eye on our website mccskreliefsale.com for more updates.

MCC Connects: Join MCCS for Transformation Tuesdays, a free monthly opportunity to learn peace practices for everyday life. This month, Our Shared Future will be facilitated on Tuesday, March 26 from 7-9 pm at the Main Office. All are welcome to this scenario-based exercise that reflects on how climate action contributes to building peace. Snacks and refreshments will be provided. For more information and to register, please visit: <https://mcc.org/events/transformation-tuesdays>

Points of Progress

- 1) **Italy:** Archaeologists are creating maps of the ancient world without having to put a shovel in the ground. Amid urbanization, climate change, and conflict, the speed at which powerful electromagnetic equipment can gather data is helping to locate hidden history before it completely disappears.
- 2) **United Kingdom:** Many libraries are serving as "warm banks" this winter, a place to spend the day when home is too cold. The initiative began in 2022 to provide havens for people facing skyrocketing energy bills. As cost-of-living increases have raised demand for food banks, libraries are helping meet the need for heat.